

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT		1. CONTRACT ID CODE	PAGE 1 OF 5 PAGES
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			10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.
			10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)
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11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

☒ The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers ☐ is extended, ☒ is not extended.

Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning one (1) copy of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATA SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and data specified.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)

13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.

(4)	A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A.
	B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).
	C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:
	D. OTHER Specify type of modification and authority)

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor ____ is not, ____ is required to sign this document and return ____ copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

NOTE: THE TIME AND DATE (3:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME ON JUNE 23, 2005) FOR RECEIPT OF OFFERS REMAINS UNCHANGED.

This amendment is issued to make revisions to the subject solicitation and to respond to questions about the solicitation submitted during and subsequent to the Pre-Proposal Conference held for this acquisition at the Volpe Center on May 10, 2005, as follows:

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print) MICHAEL J. LEARY CONTRACTING OFFICER	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY (Signature of Contracting Officer)	16C. DATE SIGNED
(Signature of person authorized to sign)			

A. The solicitation is hereby amended as follows:

1.) Section C is revised to emphasize Department of Transportation specific information technology requirements as follows:

a.) Under section C.3.A.5, **QUALITY CONTROL AND CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT**, the last paragraph prior to DELIVERABLES on page 13 of the solicitation is changed to read:

“Documentation and project deliverables shall be provided in accordance with each job order plan. The contractor shall have the capability to comply with Department of Transportation information technology documentation standards, as well as such other standards as may also be applicable. For example, a tailoring of previous standards DOD-STD-2167A and MIL-STD-498 or the current standard IEEE/EIA 12207 may be used as the basis for documentation requirements. Details involving inspection and acceptance guidelines and project deliverables are provided in Sections E and F.”

b.) Under section C.4.C.2, **System Framework**, the first sentence of the first paragraph on page 17 is revised to read as follows:

“Under this sub-area, support may be requested for the formulation, execution, and management of strategic and tactical plans supporting the definition of clear business goals and objectives, identifying risk factors and mitigation strategies, identifying and selecting appropriate IT architectures, developing operational concepts, and aligning the use of IT with Departmental and/or Agency strategic goals and architectures including the DOT Common Operating Environment (COE).”

2.) Section H is revised to add the following note at the end of the solicitation clause designated as H.4, **INCIDENTAL HARDWARE/SOFTWARE**:

“NOTE: Should the need arise for the Contractor (or its subcontractor) to purchase any commercial IT hardware, software and/or telecommunications in support of Volpe projects, project managers/job order initiators must contact the COTR in advance of making such a request to the Contractor. The COTR must obtain approval of the Volpe Chief Information Officer (CIO) before authorizing this type of purchase. The Contractor may not proceed with any such IT purchase before confirming that the necessary CIO approval has been obtained.”

3.) The following revisions are made as the result of the Solicitation Questions & Answers provided at the Pre-Proposal Conference and also included in Amendment No. A0001 as Attachment #3:

a.) Section L, Sub-Paragraph L.5.B.3.b. titled Participants and Attendees, first paragraph, delete the first sentence in its entirety and insert in place thereof:

“The Offeror’s (oral) presentation must be made by the proposed Program Manager and other individuals identified as key personnel, including the principal authors of responses to hypothetical tasks.”

b.) Section L, Sub-Paragraph L.5.B.1.c. titled Transition Approach, delete the first two lines in its entirety and insert in place thereof:

“The Offeror shall submit a draft transition plan, based on a transition period from February 1, 2006 through April 30, 2006, which describes its approach to transition covering the topics listed below:...”

c.) Section L, Sub-Paragraph L.4.G. titled Proposal Submission, Volume III – Cost/Business Proposal, delete from this paragraph the words “contract cost control plan.”

d.) Section L, Sub-Paragraph L.4.G. titled Proposal Submission, Volume I – Technical Proposal – Written Submission, delete the third bullet in its entirety and substitute in place thereof:

- “Section C of this volume must contain the organizational chart and description, matrix, and resumes for the proposed staff for Contract Administration, CLIN 0002, as well as a narrative description of the approach to Contract Administration, and performance criteria and measures related to Contract Administration, CLIN 0002.”

e.) Section J, Attachment J.9 titled Contract Security Classification Specification, DD-254, block 1.b. titled Level of Safeguarding Required, delete the word “Secret” and insert in place thereof the word “None.”

B. The following are the Government’s responses to questions about the solicitation received during and subsequent to the Pre-Proposal Conference:

1. Reference: C.3.B.2, pages 14-15; C.3.B.3, page 15; Appendix J.4 B.2 and C, pages 124-125

Question: Is the labor file submitted weekly to UAS an electronic flat file or some other type of electronic submission? Can UAS accept a direct feed from other applications or sources, such as Deltek?

Response: The weekly labor file submitted to UAS is an electronically transmitted ASCII file in a specified format that will be provided during the transition period.

2. Reference: Section L.5.B.1.b

Question: This section identifies seven bullets to be addressed within Sections B and C of the proposal. Bullets 4 and 5 and bullets 7 and 6 contain parallel requirements for the information required in Sections B and C, respectively. Bullets 1 through 3 provide instructions for additional material to be provided in Section B. In order to ensure adequate space is available to address the requirements in Section B, will the Government allow the Offeror to allocate 24 pages (not including the pages allocated to resumes) in total to Sections B and C as necessary provided that the 24-page total limit is not exceeded?

Response: Answer: The page limits provided in Section L.5.B.1.b for Sections B and C remain unchanged and must be provided in accordance with the stated Section requirements.

3. Reference: Section L, Paragraph L.5.B.2, Page 84; Section L, Paragraph L.5.B.3b, Page 87; and Solicitation Questions and Answers issued May 10, 2005, Section L, Question 1, pages 3-4.

Question: It is possible that some or all of an offeror's principal authors of the four hypothetical tasks will only have to attend the back-to-back Technical Excellence and Hypothetical Tasks Q&A Sessions. Since Paragraph L.5.B.3b limits each offeror to ten persons in the presentation room, including two non-presenting officials, we assume that each offeror will be permitted to change the composition of its ten attendees at each break in the oral presentation schedule to permit a larger number of key personnel who are not principal authors of hypothetical task responses to participate in the management and transition oral presentations. Please confirm.

Response: In response to this question, the solicitation is further amended to revise the first paragraph of L.5.B.3.b. on page 87 to read as follows:

“The Offeror’s (oral) presentation must be made by the proposed Program Manager and other individuals identified as key personnel, including the principal authors of responses to hypothetical tasks. The Offeror may bring no more than **twelve** persons to the structured oral presentation, including no more than two non-presenting Offeror officials or employees. The Offeror may not use company senior or general managers or other employees or consultants to make any part of the structured oral presentation, including caucusing and responding to questions, unless these individuals meet the criteria above. During the question-and-answer sessions, all questions will be directed to the proposed Program Manager who may direct one or more members of the Offeror's team to respond.”

4. Reference: Schedule 3 (CLIN 0001), Page 98 (NOTE: The following is a restatement of a question addressed in Amendment A0001; the purpose is to update the response given in that amendment to emphasize the unallowability of uncompensated overtime in the development of proposed labor costs for CLIN 0003)

Question: Why is 2,087 being used as the billing year? If this is in conflict with standard accounting practice, may we use the number our standard accounting uses for a standard manyear?

RESPONSE: Please note that the solicitation has been amended to show 2,080 hours rather than 2,087 hours as the basis for offerors to develop proposed labor costs for CLINs 0001 and 0002. Offerors also need to follow the instructions in paragraph k., Direct Labor on page 107 of the solicitation for the development of proposed labor costs for CLIN 0003. Offerors are also reminded that paragraph L.6.C.1.n of the solicitation clearly states that offerors shall not include uncompensated overtime in their cost proposal for CLIN 0003. Finally, FAR clause 52.237-10, Identification of Uncompensated Overtime (Oct 1997) is also being incorporated into the solicitation by amendment. If an offeror proposes uncompensated overtime for CLIN 0002 labor costs, the proposal must include the information required by that FAR provision.